

Applicant Initiated Interview Request Form

Application No.: 09/529,792 First Named Applicant: Aviv Refuah
Examiner: Le, Hieu C. Art Unit: 2142 Status of Application: Response to Non-Final Rejection filed November 2, 2005.

Tentative Participants:

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(2) Supervisor: Caldwell, Andrew

(3) Examiner: Le, Hieu C.

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Proposed Date of Interview: if possible before June 26, 2006

Proposed Time: Afternoon

Type of Interview Requested:

(1) ☒ Telephonic (2) ☐ Personal (3) ☐ Video Conference

Exhibit To Be Shown or Demonstrated: ☐ YES ☒ NO

If yes, provide brief description: _____

Issues To Be Discussed

Issues (Rej., Obj., etc)	Claims/ Fig. #s	Prior Art	Discussed	Agreed	Not Agreed
(1) <u>Rejection</u>	<u>Claim 14</u>	<u>Osaku et al.</u> <u>Internationalization of Domain Names</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(2) <u>Rejection</u>	<u>Claim 16</u>	<u>Jacobson et al.</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(3) <u>Rejection</u>	<u>Claim 140</u>	<u>Osaku et al.</u> <u>Internationalization of Domain Names</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

☒ Continuation Sheet Attached

Brief Description of Arguments to be Presented:

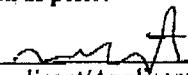
The issues at stake were presented in length in applicants response to the previous OA. In summary, the Examiner has presented three groups of prior art and states that it would be obvious to combine their teachings, while applicants disagree regarding claims 1 and 16 and state that at least one element of claims 14 and 140 were not described in any of the presented art. Applicants further note that even if the claims are unintentionally broad, the intended scope of the claimed invention is believed to be patentable, such that mutual effort of applicant's agent and the Examiner could quickly resolve any problems in the claim language.

An interview was conducted on the above-identified application on: September 7, 2004

NOTE:

This form should be completed by applicant and submitted to the examiner in advance of the interview (see MPEP § 713.01).

This application will not be delayed from issue because of applicant's failure to submit a written record of this interview. Therefore, applicant is advised to file a statement of the substance of this interview (37 CFR 1.133(b)) as soon as possible.


(Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature)

(Examiner/SPE Signature)

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Aviv REFUAH et al.
Serial Number: 09/529,792
Filed: September 27, 2000
Title: WWW Addressing
Examiner: Hieu C. LE
Art Unit: 2142

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REQUEST FOR INTERVIEW

Sir:

The present application was filed in the US patent office on April 18, 2000, based on a PCT application filed Jan 28, 1999 and claiming priority from Jan 1998. As the application is pending over six years, we would like to request the aid of the supervisor Examiner in furthering the prosecution towards allowance. A response to the most recent office action dated Aug 2, 2005 was filed on November 30, 2005.

Following is a list of the actions the present application underwent:

- 1) A First OA, dated April 25, 2003, was issued with a rejection based on a reference to Teare. The office action was prepared by Examiner Hieu Le, signed by Primary Examiner Robbert Harrell and the supervisor was Mark Powell.
- 2) A response stating that Teare has a reference date after the priority date of the present application, was filed July 28, 2003.
- 3) A notice of non-compliance dated August 18, 2003, was issued due to reinstatement of claims with their original numbers.
- 4) A response to the notice of non-compliance was filed September 13, 2003.
- 5) A restriction requirement dated Nov 5, 2003, was then issued.
- 6) Applicants responded with an election without traverse, on Dec 2, 2003.

- 7) A Second OA dated Feb 27, 2004 was issued, using references Osaku and International Domain to reject most of the claims. The Examiner was Hieu Le and the supervisor was Jack Harvey who also signed.
- 8) A response to the office action was filed June 28, 2004
- 9) An Interview was conducted in Washington on September 7, 2004. Applicants respectfully note that the inventor flew in to the United States from Israel specially for the interview. The supervisor did not appear to the interview, although requested. Instead, a different examiner with signatory authority was called in to sit on interview.
- 10) An amendment following the interview was filed on September 28, 2004.
- 11) A third OA, made final, dated Jan 4, 2005 using the same references (Osaku and International Domain), was issued by the Examiner. The Examiner did not relate to the applicants' arguments regarding claims 14 and 16. The Examiner explained the lack of relation to applicant's arguments in stating that the OA includes a new ground of rejection, although applicant could not find substantial differences between the new rejection and the previous rejection. The Examiner was Hieu Le. Primary Examiner John Follenssee signed. The Supervisor was Jack Harvey.
- 12) A response accompanied by an RCE was filed on April 4, 2005. Applicant accepted the allowed claims as part of the response.
- 13) A request for a TC interview was filed in June 2005. The interview was not conducted, since the Examiner said he has new art and an interview is not necessary.
- 14) A fourth OA dated Aug 2, 2005 rejected all claims even those previously allowed. New art, namely Jacobson and Hedin was introduced. Supervisor Andrew Caldwell signed.
- 15) Applicants filed a response on Nov 2, 2005. The response did not include substantial amendments, but rather traversed the rejection.

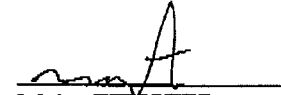
Applicants respectfully request a telephone conference with the Examiner and the Examiner's supervisor to discuss the case in an attempt to forward it to allowance.

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The undersigned can be reached at 1 (877) 428-5468, which is a US toll free number connected directly to our office in Israel (please note the 7 hour time difference and the official work week is from Sunday to Thursday).

Respectfully submitted,
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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Maier Fenster', is written over a horizontal line.

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June 7, 2006
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